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hellion. Still my father never dreamed that SCHOOL BOOKS, NEW AND OLD.

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children went down on our knees to im- you than any one else.

house over our heads.

You know how well you can take off Biddy, said my mother, and she has gone

complexion, almost, as the little grand- you. child that stands at her knee? How her My father stood irresolute; but the embraces both truth and honesty, and the heard of cooking mutton before she came flowers are numberless. When you have kultting-needles fly when she sits in the shouts of the blood-thirsty mob could reliable man must necessarily be truthful East. If you are tempted to go to the counted a couple of dozen varieties, you chimney corner, and, eighty though she now be heard, as they came - a drunken, and honest. We see so much all around other extreme and sacrifice truth for po- find you have only begun. Here the is, no one in the house is quicker of mo- disorderly body-across the lawn. He us that exhibits the absence of this crown- litiness, read Mr. Opie's Tale of Plot- painted-out makes the great reaches gay; tion, or can get through more work in a gave one look at my mother, another at ing quality that we are tempted, in our ted Sprais, and you will not be tempted here yellow indigo stars them, and pres-

HOW BRIDGET SAVED US.

BY MEN. DENISON.

ed a broad black ribbon that ends behind hideons.

generations grow up around ber; and she derous noises commenced. recollection.

There is one story in which we are all asked, quietly. write out for the Companion, giving, as or two voices. nearly as possible, her own quaint ver- He heard that you were coming, and in his hand. He is a watchful, vigilant half way whatever proposals are made for ling manes and tales, go bounding into

in wretched mud hovels, which he never eager to satisfy more brutal instincts. no one can be thoroughly honest and do not say that you will not play, would only solitude and silence is full of life attempted to repair. It was a dangerous They pressed forward through the hall truthful without being good. Is such a rather look on; but join with the rest, and action and music. Now the forest of business to be agent for an absent pro- futo the great dining room. in order, it was but a dreary time we had dirty, their hats torn, their faces neither of it, I assure you.

ed outside.

But the times grew terrible. His father, men, was afraid at last to leave the house stantly, and saved us.

of mercy.

My father was tall and slender. You of the baddest kind! have all seen his picture, and know that You should have seen that crowd break all he could for them, consistent with his was cleared.

But the country was in a dreadful conmen in office, who cared nothing at all disguise, and we did not see him again for the comfort of the peasantry. Both until the country was quiet. the men and the offices they held grew Constantly on hand a general assortment of a hateful, and the people were ripe for re-

they would harm him. Indeed, the peo-

One evening we were all at supper be- vided it were well spiced with malice. hind the great screen which we had On one occasion, Voltaire, according brought down from the garret at the be- to previous appointment, came to read a ginning of winter, when suddenly there poem in manuscript, for his approval. came a strange noise at the window, as The king meantime secreted behind a as an orange and mans round all the time if stones and gravel were thrown at the screen in the same room, a man of won- faster than a circus man can ride. I guess shutters. It had been a dreary day, and derful memory, who had the gift of re- he hain't got much sense. we had longed for nights and firelight. peating any composition, however long, Again the sound was repeated, and my to which he had once listened.

father opened the window, when in When Voltaire had concluded his rethe terror of the children, though more ration, but declared he had heard the from his distorted features than from any poem before.

Hodge saw them as they stopped at a end. alive, and what's worse, there's a party first lines.

Imagine the scene that followed! Of em word for word. course the children were nearly frightenmy arms about bim. Mother, who was delicate, turned pale and gathered the little ones round her.

upon him at once. And-hark?

nating the murky atmosphere.

plore him to hide himself.

THE RELIABLE MAN.

home for the evening. Put on one of her Of all the qualities that combine to ces at some distance from her native dresses, and talk Irish to them. You form a good character, there is not one wilds, made a lasting impression upon ward on the sunset route, the landscape Do you see my old frish grandmother, may direct their affention, and we will more important than reliability. Most the family by remarking to the breakfast salutes you in all the levelinesss of a blosstraight as a young sapling, and fresh of tell them they must search claewhere for emphatically is that true of the character table that she should starve before she souning prairie in its first luxuriance of

young woman of thirty,-tie wife of a in again, still deadly pale, but very quiet. ever, by assimilating his character.

captain in the American navy, who, hav- As I think of It now, I see that little The reliable man is a man of good does cut pie with his knife. - Take care eraids, beneath wast and hollow heavens, ing gone to Ireland to recruit his health mother of mine-so small, so frail-in the judgment. He does not jump at con- that no trifle of that kind is recalled when and moulded in colossal calm, the naked five years before, saw, fell in love with light of a real feroline, as she drew her clusions. He is not a frivolous man. He people are speaking of you. Keep your prairie rolls away, league after league, and married the bright Irish girl, whose children together, and told them what to is thoughtful. He turns over a subject in own room in order, and do not scatter unbroken to the gulf. wit and beauty could hardly be excelled. do and say in esse the house was search- his mind and looks at it all around. He your belongings all over the house. If Oh! the glory of a Texas prairie under Since then, grandmother has seen two ed. Scarcely had she ceased when thun- is not a partial or one-sided man. He your friends are orderly it may annoy a vertical sun! the light, the color, the

old home, of which she retains a vivid went herself to undo the fastenings of the talk a great deal. He is a moderate man, will be enough without adding yours. A flock of white cranes rise flashing in great door. When it opened, there was not only in habits of body, but also of Make up your mind to be entertained the light and soar away; a mirage lifts We have only to say, Grandma, tell us a sudden silence. I suppose the appear- mind. He is not a passionate man, if so with what is designed to entertain you. the tofty timber that outlines a distant something about Ireland, to make her acce of that little, fearless woman, with by nature, he has overcome it by grace. If your friends invite you to join them river and shows you the stream shining eyes sparkle; for she loves to talk of the her pale face, awed them for the moment. He is a sincere man, not a plotter or in an excursion, express your pleasure beneath, shaking sliver vapor at his feet;

my motker, calmly.

lived in the old castle, through his lord- fluring of the torches, could scarcely be be formed, of course, then its component not make so good an appearance as the clim, blekory and black jack, dense to ship's permission, that it might be kept found. Their clothes were ragged and parts may be molded to that formation. others, prevent your trying. If you are darkness, yet trembling with dew and

washed nor shaven. I remember the old place as if I'd left it | They made free with the house, and but yesterday. We used to divide the quickly invaded the kitchen, where Bid- The other evening the Rev. Mr. Philacgreat dining room by screens, and many dy McGraff assailed them with vigorous ter sat down at the tea-table with a very with pipes and fixtures, complete. For price is the night we've sat round the blazing Irish, fairly driving them back with the thoughtful air, and attended to the wantfire, telling stories, while the winds roar- broom, the tongs, or whatever came of his brood in a very abstracted manner. handy,-Biddy being, of course, our Presently he looked at his wife and said:

> lordship appressed the people, and for In the midst of the harly-bury the that they hated his agent. Every time we door opened, and who should appear but noon, broke in the pastor's eldest sons went out we met with dark looks. Even the original Bridget! But with her quick playing base hall. But flew out of the my mother, one of the most gentle of wo- Irish wit she took in the situation in- striker's hands when I was umpire, and

> and never ventured to, except on errands | Sure, Biddy, she said, looking at her ped me. Hurt? Golly! and the lad master, what's all this hallsbaloo? If shook his head in dismal but expressive It was terrible to hear the rumors of they're after the old lord, they can't find pantomime as he tenderly rubbed a lump young to mind them much; but I was for the mother ov us is in sore throuble. interruption and resumed: just turning sixteen, and, as I could un. I've jist come from there to tell ye that derstand something of business, the ru- Larry's took down, an' the docther says its a case of the small-pox sure, and that baum's this afternoon, said his eldest

> there's few handsomer men than he was, and scatter! The Irish have more dread made over with a vest offiled green silk, kind and gentle, too, -1 am sure he was of the small-pox than they have of the coat-tail basque pattern, over-shirt made to us, - and he pitied the tenants, and did gallows. In a few minutes the house with diagonal folds in front, edged with The night passed without further mo-

> lestation to our household. The next blue flowers. She's going to Chicago, dition. There were many cruel, haughty day before dawn father left the house in The good minister waited patiently, and

You may be sure that the memory of Bridget was always held sacred in our family. - Youth's Companion.

AN INDIGNANT POET.

Despite his grave character, Frederick the Great loved an occasional joke, pro-

sprang Black Jim, a hideons dwarf, and cital, Frequenck expressed a great admi-

defect of character; for he was always. The poet was indignant, repetting the the assault of his fittle brotker on a plece charge of plagiarism with great warmth. of cake. The pistors face showed a trifle They're coming! he gasped, his face The king, however, insisted that the of annoyance, as he said in very firm delivid with fear. They've got guns, and poem was by no means of recent origin, cided tones; clubs, and pistols, and rakes, and hoes, and said there was a man in the court and they vow to kill the master. John who could repeat it from beginning to

public house, five miles beyond, and He sent for the man who had been coneral laugh followed. they've killed old Sleeker, down to Bar- ccaled behind the screen and who had ry's Mill, and they've set Johnny Black's listened to the reading, and requested daughter, with an air of curiosity, said: house on fire and burned their children him to repeat a certain poem, quoting the

coming from Skillings! They're bound The man instantly, and to the great as- Pass me the mustard, said the pastor, tonishment of Voltaire, repeated the po- absently.

ed out of their wits, and began to scream. his jest, he revealed the trick to Voltaire, ter adjourned. I sprang to my father's side, and clasped who was both surprised and indignant Some people, especially those who live a quiet life in an orderly village, are in-

Barry, run I she said, with white lips clined to think the law is, what an old make yourself so much like one of the conductor and wept, and the blush-discussion arose as to prices. The retailplay calls it, a sort of horse-pocus science, family that no one shall feel you to be in ling fellow thought be would rather stand er offered a figure which he said be was I'll not run for all the rascals in ire- that smiles in yer face while it picks yer the way, and, at the same time, be observ. seventeen collisions and a blow-up than willing to pay, saying at the same time land, said father, frowning and gathering pocket. Chancellor Kent found such ec- ant of those small courtesles and kind- to pass through the smiles and snickers of that he could get the same goods for less hierself up. If they're bound to kill me, centric people when he began to practice nesses which altogether go to make up the rest of the passengers. Eare Sponts. Tin Roofing, Pumps, Lead and I did game. I'll die game dance de la game. I'll die g town, but was not crowded with busi- retiring by the customs of the house. Do I have just heard of the queer way the give them what they ask, go into bank-But these are not our people, said my ness. One evening a delegation of the not keep your friends sitting up until Persians have of keeping themselves rupter before my note becomes due, and man is an agent to wreak their vengeance him, and the embryo Chancellor, rabbing about the house an hour or two before ther. They place in the middle of the Whether convinced by this reasoning his hands in anticipation of important breakfast. If you choose to rise at an room a pan of burning charcoal under a or not, the wholesale dealer sold the She sprang to her feet. There were business, cordially gave them welcome, early hour, remain in your room until sort of table or frame which holds up a goods at the retailer's price. certainly harsh voices and the tramp of After some unimportant talk the spokes pear breakfast time, unless you are very large wadded quitt that reaches the floor. To-day he said: You can judge how

> What would be the good of my hiding? Experience may be a dear leacher, of ill-breeding here will be noticed and because, as I am told, they never undress pay their debts, as they say in Captain he asked. They would only burn the but she isn't any dearer than a preity remembered. Do not be too ready to ex- at night but just roll themselves in cover. Marryatt's novels, with a flowing sheet, schoolma'am.

of a good business man. The word itself should eat much, and that she never green under the tender early sun. The

the children, and then hastly left the billous moods, to deny its very existence. to be insincere again. It is well to re- ently lends them its color, leading away Do you notice the cap-the very fash- room, mother following. Black Jim in But there are, nevertheless reliable men, member that some things which seem of into the boundless horizon a field of the ion she brought from the ould countbrie, the meantime had made his escape. The men to be depended upon, to be trusted, very little importance to you may make cloth of gold; here it is scarlet with the -a full white frill, back of which is band- noises were growing louder and more in whom you may repose confidence, an unpleasant impression upon others in scarlet-phiox, here blue with the verbena

whose word is as good as their bond and consequence of a difference in early train. here the tilles with their long snowy file-The house was locked with the usual whose promise is performance. If any ing .- The other day two young ladies ments wonderously alive, whiten all the The Conners came to this country in fastenings, and before the furious mob one of you know such a man make him were heard discussing a gentleman who windings of an unseen brook; here cloth, 26. Grandmother was then a handsome had reached the outer door, mother came your friend. You can only do so, how- had a great many pleasant qualities ed in the priceiess small clover, and

atill lives to tell the children about her Mother took one of the tall candles and very reticent man. He does not have to and if they are not, their own disorder the limitless level, the overlasting rest! What do you want, gentlemen? she schemer. He does not promise rashly, and readiness to go, and do not act as in the creek beside you, fearless blue ways particularly interested, and I will The man!-the masther! shouted one trustworthy man. You feel safe with stead of receiving one. No visitors are tering the water drops; a drove of horses you must search for him elsewhere, said man. You feel secure within his protectheir pleasure. Be contented to amuse space; vast herds of cattle crop the clover for Lord Danmore then, and my lord Some few were disposed to move sions are logically deduced from the sare any ontside gayeties to which you are by; riders are rounding up their droves, was a very exacting person, having very away, but the most of the rough crowd basis of truth, and he does not fear to invited, and show by your manner that hawks are hovering, birds are singing, little oversight of his tenants, who lived had been indulging in whiskey, and were maintain them. He is a good man, for you enjoy both. If games are proposed, winds are blowing, and what seemed quality attainable? Most assuredly so, and do the best you can. Never let a Brazos begin to rustle; cypress and magprictor in those times, and though we A more terrific crowd, as seen by the It is not born, it is made. Character may foolish feeling of pride, lest you should notin, linden and beach and

INTERRUPTED TABLE TALK.

The Apostle Psul-Got an awful lump on the head 'safter, cracked me right above the ear, an' drop-

The Apostle Paul-Saw Mrs. O'Ghemiale down at Greendaughter, addressing her mother. She had on the old everlasting black silk, deep fringe; yellow straw hat with black velvet facing Inside the brim, and pale then in tones just a shade louder than be-

fore, said: The Apostle Paul-Went in swimmin' last night with Har-

ry and Ben, pop, and stepped on a clam shell, exclaimed his youngest son; out my foot so I cannot wear a shoe; and please can't I stay home to-morrow? The pastor informed his sen that he might stay away from the river, and then

resuming his topic. He said: The Apostle Paul says-My teacher is an awful liar, shouted the second son! he says the world is as round prepared to faint.

The mother lifted a warning finger toward the boy and said-sh! and the fatherresumed:

The Apostle Paul says-Don't bite off twice as much as you can chew, looks out the oldest son, reproving

The Apostle Paul says-There's a fly in the butter, stricked the youngest hopeful of the family, and a gen-

When silence was restored the eldest Weil, but, ps, I really would like to know what the Apostle Paul said?

Then the committee rose and the senate After the king had sufficiently enjoyed went into executive session and soon af-

HINTS TO VISITORS.

before you. The wife of a certain United States Senator, once visiting acquaintan-

AHEAD OF ACCIDENT, There was a ndrvons, fidgety sort of a lady on the Keckuk & Des Moines passeuger train coming east the other day, and as the cars pulled up at Monroe she discovered a lot of coffics on the platform. She had been imagining all aluds of disasters on the way from Des Moines; had the measure of the man. When a man is seen herself tora to pieces, the remnants placed in a prominent position of any collected and buried, and had suffered sort whatever, we say at once, What is enough real agony to carry her through he worth? not What does he know? but half a dozen railroad accidents. The sight of the coffins was the last straw that momentons question that Involves all. broke the camel-hair shawl she wore, and All others are secondary. Wealth, she resolved that if she didn't say some- knowledge, fame and power, are most thing she should die. Lesning over, she grasped a commercial traveler in the seat

in front by the arm. Young man, what are all those coffins or? she asked.

ng up on orders, so he replied briefly; To bury people. Yes, but what do they have so many

The commercial traveler was busy foot-

Unhealthy country-lots of doctors, said the drammer You can't deceive me, young man, said

the female in hysterical tones, there has the foundation is, and the corner-stones been an accident. The drummer nodded.

Another nod. And plenty fore to pieces maybe, be and rangulation? Nod number three. My gracious! And some burned to

And lots of folks have been killed.

death, and their remains gathered up in scoop shovel? Another ned of the drummers head. Refore she asked the next question she

Oh, my, I fee-feel-so weak. When did it happen? About ten years ago, said the dram mer as he started for the smoking ear. The woman straightened back in ner eat with a click like auto that made by he opening of a blade of a jack built now they go tero nave seprey. which has a stiff spring, and made a wild law for the conductor, who was passing. catled his attention to those coffins and asked what they were to be used for?

onductor responded in like manner. road! said the excited female. Not for years not on this road, said

Dead sure. But one is liable to happen. Yes'm. It might happen to the next train?

he conductor.

You are sure?

the accident. Try, without being too familiar, to And then she fell on the neck of the months ago buying a bill of goods, and a

men not far off. Presently a glare as of man of the party said: Mr. Kent, we sure that your presence in the party will on all sides, like a tent. This must look like a fool I felt last week, when just two torches could be seen, a red light illumi- have been talking over the question of not be unwelcome. Write in large let- almost like keeping the fire warm. Then days before the note was due my sharp your settlement with us, and have con- ters in a prominent place in your mind, the family sit around the droit stoye, customer filed his petition in bankraptey. Barry, you owe it to us to save your- cluded that we do not want any lawyer Be punctual. A visitor has no excuse with their legs and arms under the quilt; The amount len't worth fighting about, self! cried my mother, with tearless, here, and then added by way of salve, If for keeping a whole family waiting, and and when they wish to go to seep, they and I shall have to take whatever he offstrained eyes and clasped hands; and we we were to have one, we had rather have it is unpardonable negligence not to be put themselves half under the quilt, and ere to settle atprompt at the table. Here is a place to so keep nice and warm until the morning. As long as the bankruptcy and hold out test good manners, and any manifestation. That's easy enough for Persians to do, inducaments to unscrupulous traders to press your dislikes for the various dishes ings and lie down anywhere.

THE TEXAS PRAIRIES.

At the moment when you start west-Yes, said one, he is very handsome but he greater than Dante's freshly broken em-

sees through a thing. He is apt to be a them to see your things out of place; distance, the vast solitude and silence, What he says may be relied on. He is a though you were conferring a favor in- ducks dip and dive and swim away, scatyour property or administration of affairs | 80 wearisome as those who don't meet rising from beds of sunflowers, with flytion He is a brave man, for his conclu- yourself quietly in the house, or join in without lifting their heads as you sweep not skillful, you will at least show that sun, mord with gray vines of trampet you are good-natured, and you do not and passion-flowers, and with huge ropes think yourself modest when you are only of blossoming grapes slung from tree to tree, with undergrowth of dogwood and red-bub, wild peach, case, and their great, dark live-oaks wrapt in the fantastic webs and standing wierd and awtul in their druidical beard.

CHARACTER.

or knowledge, fame or power, that it is desirable accessions for a good man; but otherwise they add strength in a wrong direction. I wonder if the young men and boys in our land realize that character is the most important capital in any and all business transactions. If a man of large business is looking for a partner or employee, what does he require most of all? An honest man or boy. Wealth and position, with the first requisite, will

be no detraction, but nothing without What pillars are to a building, what thereof, so is a good character to a man or woman, bey or girl. The wise man sald, A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and he had no lack of wealth. Remember, boys-and it will harm none to remember-that what you are is of infinite importance; while what you have is finite in its value; its end is the grave; while the former will grow and eurich its possessor through all the years of immortality. Strive for it as for your life, for life is naught without it; if a man die for his house, he is an everlasting hero; while if he dies for his wealth, he is a sordid tool. We honor it in death, if not in life. So teach us to number our days, es to apply our hearts unto wis-

The most alayming feature of the bank-She caught him. She held him. She captcy record is the disposition of small retail firms to avail themselves of the bankrupt act to wipe out their indebted-There is only one answer to that question | ness and start anew. The large houses, the one the drummer gave-and the says a Pittsburgh correspondent, are watched closely now-a-days, and if they There has been an necident on this try anything of that sort the creditors are spt to make unpleasant investigations; but a shoal of the small fry have come to the concinsion since the first of the year, that the easiest way to settle up last year's business, is to pay all their debts with the bankrupt act, and start anew with a clean balance sheet. A rather interesting instance of this sort was told to-day to one of the wholessle Oh, thank Heaven; I am just ahead of houses on Liberty street. A small retail dealer was in the establishment two

Why, I can go over to A -- & Co.'s,

this sort of thing will be kept up.